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Future Events

We are proud to be a part of several of the coming outstanding numismatic events of the year.

It is our privilege to have been selected to conduct the following official

AUCTION SALES

PENN-OHIO CONVENTION

May 12-13-14, 1961

Hotel Webster Hall - Pittsburgh, Pa.

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WISCONSIN STATE CONVENTION

May 19-20-21, 1961

Hotel Pfister - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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A. N. A. CONVENTION

AUGUST 16-17-18-19, 1961

Hotel Biltmore - Atlanta, Georgia

For the fourth time since 1950, we have been awarded the official auction sale to be conducted during the National A. N. A. Convention. Our first was in 1950 at Milwaukee and the following year at Phoenix. The Chi-ANA Sale in Chicago which we conducted in 1956 is still well remembered as it set a number of records, many of which have not been surpassed even today. A catalogue and sale of similar quality is being planned for the Atlanta Convention. This numismatic event will be even more interesting due to it being held during the Centennial Celebration of the Civil War.

CONSIGNMENTS WANTED

BARBER DIMES

1892 S Mint, Choice Ext. Fine..	\$47.50
1893 Uncirculated	9.50
1893 S Mint, Ext. Fine	12.50
1893 O Mint, Br. Unc.....	37.50
1896 Brilliant Uncirculated....	18.00
1897 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1898 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1898 O Mint, Br. Unc.....	85.00
1899 Brilliant Proof	32.50
1899 O, About Unc., rare.....	45.00
1900 S, Abt. Unc, mint lustre...	27.50
1902 S, Ext. Fine, mint lustre...	35.00
1903 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1904 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1904 S, Br. Unc, rare	75.00
1905 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1906 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1907 O Mint, Br. Unc.....	18.00
1908 Brilliant Uncirculated....	7.50
1908 S Mint, Br. Unc.....	22.50
1909 Brilliant Proof, rare.....	35.00
1910 Brilliant Proof, rare.....	40.00
1910 Brilliant Uncirculated....	8.50
1911 Brilliant Uncirculated....	7.50
1911 D Mint, Uncirculated....	13.75
1912 Brilliant Uncirculated...	7.50
1912 S Mint, Br. Unc.....	30.00
1912 D Mint, Br. Unc.....	15.00
1912 D Mint, Choice Ex. Fine..	5.00
1913 Brilliant Uncirculated...	8.50
1914 Brilliant Uncirculated....	7.50
1914 D Mint, Br. Unc.....	8.25
1916 Brilliant Uncirculated....	6.75



Washington Quarters

1950 - 1959

Complete Date and Mint Set
Choice Br. Unc., In Album
25 Pc. Set\$ 21.75

Abraham Lincoln



BEAUTIFUL GOLD MEDAL

1959 was proclaimed Lincoln Year by the President of the United States, and was celebrated throughout the world, honoring the memory of Abraham Lincoln, on the 150th anniversary of his birth in 1809. This year 1961, the 100th anniversary of the War between the States, is of equal importance to collectors of Lincolniana.

We were fortunate in purchasing a small lot of the Gold and Silver Medals and even more fortunate in being able to offer them at the original issue price:

GOLD, BR. PROOF.....\$52.50

SILVER, BR. PROOF 7.50

WORLD WAR I

MILITARY MEDAL - WITH RIBBON

Citizens Award for patriotic service, United States Forces.

Lewis County - New York

Bronze - New and Clean

POSTPAID\$ 1.50

EUROPE'S FIRST BROAD COIN

Ever since ancient times, Europe's silver standard coin had been the Denarius, a small coin about half the size of a quarter, or a little more than that of a dime, but much thinner.

Silver during the Middle Ages was so precious that it had to be thinned out when used in coinage. Gold was even more precious and not used for coinage until the 13th Century. And copper, with a few unusual exceptions influenced by Byzantine models, was not recognized as yet as a proper metal for coins of the realm.

By the middle of the 13th Century, it became apparent that something representing a larger amount of money was needed to speed trade. The Denarius, or penny, was becoming more and more devaluated and the bags full of small coins needed to pay larger sums were found to be most inconvenient.

The problem was solved with the advent of a new denomination, the Groat or Groschen, from the Latin word "grossus," meaning "big." Generally, the Groat of the early type was worth 4 Pennies, later the somewhat smaller Groschen was valued at 3 Kreuzers.

The first large silver coin of Europe since the Greek Tetradrachms, was issued around 1250 in the city of Prague, Bohemia. At that time, Prague was the very center of Europe and an Imperial residence as well. It seemed only natural to have the city's name mentioned on the new coin.

On one side is the Bohemian lion, two-tailed and rampant, and the inscription "Grossus Pragensis." On the reverse, the Royal Crown of Bohemia is found within a double circle of legends, naming the ruler and title.

The coinage of Prague Groschen or Groats was plentiful under Kings John, Charles IV, and Wenceslas II, and continued until Ferdinand I, around 1527, but the last rulers debased its silver content and size. By the late 15th Century, other large silver coins had taken the play away from this pioneer anyway.

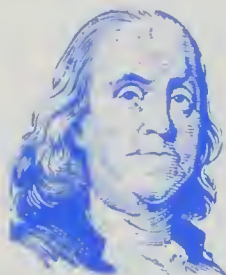
-- Hans Holzer

1950 MONACO

RAINIER III, 100 Francs, as described in article.

SPECIAL, UNC..... \$1.25

Sets of U.S. Coins



Benjamin
Franklin

FRANKLIN HALVES

COMPLETE SET

1948-1960 D Mint. Br. Unc. Set in Popular Album. A choice Set which catalogues over \$70.00.

SPECIALLY PRICED\$46.75

LIBERTY WALKING

HALF DOLLARS

1940 through 1947 P & D, complete date and mint Set. Selected coins in Albums; catalogues over \$69.00.

22 Piece Set, Br. Unc....\$49.75

HALF DOLLARS

1934-35-36-37-39 PD&S, and complete through 1947. Choice and well struck coins in Library of Coin Album.

Catalogue value over \$120.00. A nice start and a real buy.

30 Pieces, Br. Unc. Set ...\$89.75

Complete Set Jefferson Nickels

1938 through 1960, complete date and mint Set. A choice Set in Popular Album (not to be confused with Sets offered at lower price where the rare dates are of inferior quality.) The 1939 D & S are just as choice as the common dates. This Br. Unc. Set,

Reasonably priced at - \$98.75

MERCURY HEAD DIMES

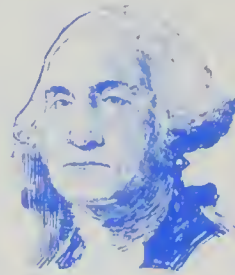
1929 through 1945. Selected gem coins at a real savings. Catalogue value \$53.30.

This choice set in Popular Album
32 Pc. Set, Br. Unc... \$ 34.75

ROOSEVELT DIMES

1946 through 1960, complete mint and date set in Popular Album. Every coin Brilliant Uncirculated.

This Gem Set.....\$39.50



Washington Quarters

1942 PDS through 1960, complete date and mint set. Choice selected coins in two Popular Albums.

Catalogue value \$63.90.

50 Piece Set, Br. Unc.....\$48.50



Washington Quarters

1936 P & S Mints through 1960, choice selected coins in Albums. Catalogue value \$119.90. Quite a few of these sell at full list price. A choice Set at a substantial savings.

60 Piece Set, Br. Unc...\$86.75

WASHINGTON QUARTERS

1932 through 1960. Complete Set in Library of Coins Album.

Choice Brilliant Uncirculated, catalogues \$472.40. The 1936-D, 1937-S, 1938 and several others are already selling over list price. A beautiful Set and a good investment.

Specially priced\$435.00

LINCOLN CENTS

1935 through 1960-D Choice Br. Unc. Complete Set, all dates and mints.

71 Choice Pieces\$27.50

1940 Through 1959-D Brill. Unc.

Choice Set, 58 Pcs.....\$14.75

ALL CURRENT

While these three issues of COINS & CHATTER are dated November, December & January, all material listed is in stock as these go in the mail. There has been no previous mailing of these three issues.

Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back

LIBERTY HEAD DIMES

1892 - 1916

1892 Gd. 50¢; Very Good...	\$.75
1893 Good-V. Good	1.00
1893 S Mint, Fine	7.50
1893 S, Good 2.50; V. Good....	3.75
1894 Good 1.75; V. Good... ..	2.50
1894 O Mint, Good-V. Good... ..	27.50
1895 S, About Good	2.50
1895 O, V. Gd. 40.00; Abt. Fine.	65.00
1896 Good-V. Good	1.75
1896 S, fine date, Abt. Good...	15.00
1897 V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.....	2.00
1897 O, V. F., sl. edge nicks..	35.00
1898-99-1900 V. Good, each...	.45
1898 S Mint, Good	2.50
1898 O, Good 2.00; V. Good...	3.00
1899 Fine 1.25; Ext. Fine...	3.50
1899 O, Good 2.00; V. Good...	3.00
1900 Fine 1.25; V. Fine.....	2.00
1900 S Mint, V. Fine plus.....	12.50
1900 S. V. Good 1.50; Abt. Fine.	2.50
1900 O Mint, Good	2.50
1901-2-3 V. Gd. 40¢; Fine. ea.	1.25
1901 S Mint, V. Good plus....	27.50
1901 O Good 75¢; V. Good....	1.50
1902 S, Good 2.25; V. Good..	3.50
1902 O, Good 75¢; V. Good...	1.25
1903 O Mint, V. Fine plus.....	7.50
1903 O, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.....	3.75
1904 S Mint, Good-V. Good....	7.50
1905-6-7-8-9 V. Gd-Fine, ea..	.35
1905 S, Good 75¢; V. Good...	1.25
1905 Small O, Good-V. Good...	2.50
1905 O, Good 75¢; V. Good...	1.25
1906 Fine 75¢; V. Fine.....	1.25
1906 S, Good 75¢; V. Good...	1.25

South Africa Changes Money

South Africa's banks and stockmarkets were closed yesterday in preparation for today's decimal day when the country leaves the pounds and pence system to go on decimal currency.

The main new unit of currency will be the Rand - equal to 100 cents and also 10 shillings of the present currency. Under the old system 10 shillings was one half of a pound sterling. A pound had the value of \$2.8 dollars so one Rand equals \$1.4 dollars.

The name "Rand" is taken from the Witwatersrand area which with its goldmines laid the basis of South Africa's economy.

South Africa's switch to decimal currency will be followed at the end of May by the country proclaiming itself a republic which may or may not remain a member of the British Commonwealth.

LIBERTY HEAD DIMES

1906 D, V. Gd. 50¢; Fine....	2.00
1906 O, Good 1.00; V. Good...	1.50
1907 Ext. Fine-Abt. Unc.....	3.25
1907 S, V. Gd. 75¢; V. Fine...	3.50
1907 D, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine...	3.00
1907 O, V. Gd. 50¢; Fine...	1.75
1908 S, Good 1.00; V. Good...	1.50
1908 D, V. Good 35¢; Fine....	1.00
1908 O Mint, V. Good	1.50
1909 S Mint, Good-V. Good....	2.00
1909 D, Good 1.25; V. Good...	2.00
1909 O, Very Fine plus	12.50
1909 O, Good 1.75; V. Good...	2.50
1910-11-12-13-14-15, Fine	
or better, each	1.00
1910 S Mint, Good 1.00; V. Gd.	1.50
1910 D, Ext. Fine-Abt. Unc....	4.50
1910 D, V. Good 50¢; Fine...	1.25
1911 S, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.....	2.00
1911 D, V. Gd. 45¢; Fine.....	1.00
1912 V. Fine 1.25; Ext. Fine...	2.50
1912 S, V. Gd. 1.25; Fine....	3.50
1912 D, V. Gd. 50¢; Fine....	1.00
1913 V. Fine 1.25; Abt. Unc....	3.00
1913 S Mint, Good	3.25
1914 S, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.....	2.50
1914 D, V. F. 1.50; Abt. Unc...	3.50
1914 D, Fine-V. Fine.....	1.00
1915 S, Good 75¢; V. Good....	1.25
1916 Fine 45¢; V. Fine.....	.75
1916 S, Fine 65¢; V. Fine.....	1.50

Adams and Woodin's

UNITED STATES PATTERNS

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AND EXPERIMENTAL PIECES

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There are 196 pages, 1,752 Pattern coins described in detail, and over 400 illustrations showing both the obverse and reverse.

Full cloth cover with gold lettering on front and spine.

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Date 1851-1951 in Roman numerals.

Also commemorates the 400th anniv. of the first silver Crown. In official Royal Mint box as issued.

BRILLIANT PROOF.....\$3.50

SWEDEN'S "FRENCH " KING

One of Napoleon's best generals, Marshall Bernadotte, after the defeat and elimination of his erstwhile master, left France and went to Sweden where he was received with top honors and soon gained great influence at the Stockholm court.

Before long the childless King, Charles XIII, made him heir apparent with the consent of the Rigsrat, and when Charles XIII died in 1818, Charles Bernadotte, Marshal of France, became his successor under the name of Charles John, or Charles XIV, King of Swedes, Norwegians and Gothlanders.

The new house soon was firmly established, lost all connections with French interests and became thoroughly Swedish.

In its coinage, the French-born King adhered to the systems prevalent in Sweden when he succeeded to the throne but he gradually modernized its appearance along the lines followed by the rest of Europe. Separate coins were issued for his two countries, Sweden having the Svea shield, or Three Crowns, and Norway featuring the Gotha shield, or Lion, as their respective coats of arms. On the obverse, surrounding the King's bust, the legends listed the countries he ruled, but Sweden was listed first on the Swedish issues and Norway on the Norwegian coins.

-- Hans Holzer

Special



Collection

ANCIENT ROMAN SILVER COINS DENARII AND ANTONINIANI

Fifteen (15) different rulers, each showing bust of emperor. Includes Hadrian, Trajan and other historical personalities. Coins individually enveloped and classified as to ruler, date and deity on reverse. Condition Very Fine. Individually would cost \$2.00 to \$3.50 each. We have only twenty-five of these collections available.

SPECIALLY PRICED..\$24.75

SMALLER COLLECTION, classified same as above. Ten (10) different rulers.

Fine-Very Fine.....\$14.75

Coins of Bible Days

TRIBUTE PENNY

14-37 A. D. Silver Denarius
Laureated head of Tiberius.

Reverse: Livia seated.

Bible reference: Matthew 22:15-22

Very Fine\$17.50

Fine 12.50

ANCIENT JUDAEA

"Widow's Mites"

"...and there came a certain poor widow and she threw in two mites..."
(Mark 12:41-44)

JOHN HYRCANUS, B.C. 103-76

About Fine\$4.50

ALEXANDER JANNAEUS, 103-76

Fine\$ 6.00

HEROD ARCHELAUS, B.C. 4-6 A.D.

Fine, rare\$10.00

Very Good 5.00

VALERIUS GRATUS, A.D. 16-25

Very Good \$4.00; Fine.. 6.50

PONTIUS PILATE, 26-35 A.D.

"Augur's wand", Fine.... 25.00

"Simpulum," Fine..... 30.00

HEROD AGRIPPA I, 37-44 A.D.

Very Good 4.00; Fine... 6.00

ANTONIUS FELIX, 58-60 A.D.

Choice Fine-V. Fine.... 7.50

V. Good 3.50; Abt. Fine.. 4.50

FIRST REVOLT, 67-68 A.D.

Insc. "Deliverance of Zion."

Rare, Fine to V. Fine.... 12.50

ISRAEL'S FIRST

COMMEMORATIVE COIN



THE 10th ANNIVERSARY

STATE OF ISRAEL

1948-1958

In attractive olivewood box

1958 FIVE ISRAELI POUNDS

Brilliant Gem Proofs, only 2,000
struck\$22.50

Brilliant Uncirculated 7.50

CANADIAN COINS

CANADA CENTS

1937 - 1960

Uncirculated Starter Set, in
National Holder. Incomplete but
a real savings.

20 Pc. Set. Brilliant Unc.

ONLY\$14.75

CANADA 5¢

1942 - 1959

Complete Date Set (except 1948)

Choice Br. Unc. in National Holder

18 Pc. Set.... ONLY \$11.75

An opportunity well taken is the
only weapon of advantage.

ANCIENT TRADE COINS

A trade coin is a denomination issued with a stereotype design, year after year, guaranteeing the merchant that it is of the same quality as the prototype was.

In modern times, we have the Austrian Marie Theresa Taler and the Queen Victoria Sovereign as good examples -- both are still being made exclusively for trade purposes with the Middle and Far East. Some countries, including the United States, Japan, and Holland, issued special coins designated as trade coins, which were not current in the home country at all.

There are examples of earlier trade currency like the Saxony Talers of 1620, issued for the Dutch trade, or the Albertustaler standard Roubles of Czar Paul I, also for trade purposes only. But even as far back as antiquity we find trade coins which served their purpose well.

During the Century after the death of Alexander the Great, 323 B.C., his silver coins were issued by the thousands in practically every country of the then known world. The Athenian "owl" coins were current far outside Athens, and for many Centuries without any change in design.

A less known, but successful, trade coin was the so-called Cistophorus of Pergamum. This wealthy kingdom, situated in Asia Minor, started to issue silver 4 Drachm pieces around 133 B.C., which had a type different from coins then current in the area. On one side, it had the symbols of Bacchus, quiver and ivy leaves, and

ANCIENT TRADE COINS

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on the other, a so-called Cista Mystics or magic altar, peculiar to Asia Minor cults. This was surrounded by snakes also symbolic of the somewhat sensuous religion then being practiced in that part of the ancient world. The name of the minting official appeared on the coins, either abbreviated or in full. When the "cistophores" or "cista-bearers" became popular outside of Pergamum, the magistrates of the kingdom issued them in huge quantities for their expanding foreign trade.

Year after year, with only a change of magistrate's name or monogram, the same coins were struck and circulated. Neighboring cities like Ephesus also started to issue the cistophores, imitating the design faithfully and placing their own city initials in as small a print as possible.

They were, of course, trying to cash in on a good thing. But Pergamum did not object; there was room enough for everybody to issue the popular coins.

Even as late as the reign of Augustus, a cistophore was issued. The Emperor, however, could not resist placing his own bust over the altar. This constituted a major change in type, and the popularity of the Cistophore vanished quickly.

Something New

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100 Envelopes\$2.50

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